mills under NTC there has to be a proportionate reduction in the number of employees in the corporate offices also. Hence the surplus officials of the NTC headquarters will be offered VRS.

(b) The selection of employees for the zones will be made by the companies after assessment of their utility to the Organisation.

(c) The decision for restructuring was taken after considering all view- points including that of NTC management.

Closure of textile mills

4323. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of textile mills closed during 2001-02 and 2002-03;

(b) if so, the reasons for closure of these mills;

(c) the number of labourers becoming jobless due to closure of these mills: and

(d) whether Government has any proposal to revive these closed mills;

(e) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANGOUDA R. PATIL): (a) The number of cotton/man-made fibre textile mills (non-SSI) closed during 2001-02 and 2002-03 (February end, 2003) is 39 and 27 respectively.

(b) Reasons for closure of these mills are as under:

Reasons of closure	2001-02	2002-03 (end February, 03)	Total
Financial Difficulties	20	12	32
1	2	3	4
Strike/Labour Problems	3	2	5
Lockout	3	2	5
Other Reasons	13	11	24
Total	39	27	66

(c) There were 16,269 and 12,223 workers respectively on roll in the above textile mills during 2001-02 and 2002-03 (February-end).

(d) and (e) As regards, sick mills which may or may not be closed, Government has set up Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) under Sick Industrial Companies (SpecialPprovisions) Act with a view to arranging the timely detection of sick and potentially sick companies and for the speedy determination of preventive ameliorative and remedial measures which need to be taken in respect of such companies. The rehabilitation schemes sanctioned by BIFR include various measures like restructuring the capital, induction of fresh funds by the promoters, merger with the other companies change of management, provision for working capital and term loan by banks and financial institutions.

Out of the 66 cotton/man-made textile mills (Non-SSI) closed during 2001-02 and 2002-03 (Feb. end), 21 cases of textile mills are registered with BIFR as on 31.12.2002 and they are at different stages of proceedings with BIFR as mentioned below:

Sl. No.	Status	All Textile Cases	
		2001-02	2001-02 (end February)
1.	Declared No Longer Sick	1	-
2.	Non Maintainable	2	2
3.	Stay Order by Court/Stayed by AAIFR	1	-
4.	Under Enquiry	4	6
5.	Winding up recommended section 2((1) SICA, 1985	3	2
	Total	11	10

Export of man made textiles and readymade garments

4324. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the total export of man-made textiles and readymade garments during the last five years, year-wise;